

# Announcement/Call for Papers The United States Environmental Protection Agency

## 21st Annual National Conference on Managing

The EPA Quality Staff invites you to join contributors to the 21st Annual National Conference on Managing Environmental Quality Systems. The conference agenda will feature plenary sessions, technical presentations, workshops, and training. The conference will be held in Phoenix, Arizona, at the Sheraton Crescent Hotel, April 8-11, 2002.

### **Topics**

The conference invites submissions in topic areas related to environmental quality systems and information data quality. Proposed topic areas include, but are not limited to:

Quality Systems Concepts, Models, and Methodologies

Information Quality Policies and Standards

Explicit and Hidden Costs of Data Quality

Data Warehouses and Data Mining

Cost/Benefit Analysis of Data Quality Improvement

Quantifying Measurement Uncertainty

Quality Issues in Litigation

Quality Assurance for Secondary Data

Quality Assurance for Environmental Models

Innovations in Quality Assessment Tools and Techniques

Quality Assurance in Environmental Laboratories

Performance Measures for Environmental Quality Systems

#### **Submission Guidelines**

Abstracts will be accepted through November 21, 2001, and should be submitted by e-mail as WordPerfect or MS Word files.

Type of Submission	Session Length	Schedule	Task
Technical Papers	30 minutes	November 21, 2001	1-page abstract
		December 15, 2001	Acceptance notification with submission guidelines
		March 1, 2002	Final papers (6-page limit) submitted for conference proceedings
Workshops	90 minutes	November 21, 2001	1-page abstract with workshop description
		December 15, 2001	Acceptance notification with submission guidelines
		March 1, 2002	Final submittal of materials for conference proceedings (6-page limit)
Technical Sessions	90 minutes	November 21, 2001	1-page abstract with description of technical session
		December 15, 2001	Acceptance notification with submission guidelines
		March 1, 2002	Final submittal for conference proceedings (6-page limit)

#### **Addresses for Submission**

All abstracts should be submitted electronically in MS Word or WordPerfect to: <a href="mailto:quality@epa.gov">quality@epa.gov</a>. Submissions should include the following information in the body of the email or cover sheet:

- 1. Presentation title
- 2. Authors with presenter identified
- 3. Primary contact name, phone number, and email address
- 4. Type of session requested/proposed length

The one-page abstract should be included as an attachment to the e-mail.

Submissions may also be faxed to Diann Sims, (202) 565-2441.

## **Proceedings**

Technical papers will be included in the Conference Proceedings Notebook and published on the EPA Quality Staff webpage: www.epa.gov/quality

#### For More Information

Questions or comments should be directed to:

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